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MEMORANDUM FOR Commanders, Regional Veterinary Commands

SUBJECT: Non-Approved Food Sources

1. References.

- Reference AR 40-657, as changed, Veterinary/Medical Food Inspection and Laboratory Service.
- US Army Veterinary Command Circular 40-1, 5 June 2002, Directory of Sanitarily Approved Food Establishments for Armed Forces Progurement.
- 2. With the increased possibility that food may be a target of intentional contamination, it is paramount that foods originate only from Approved Sources, as defined in AR 40-657 and the Directory of Sanitarily Approved Food Establishments for Armed Forces Procurement.
 Procurement officials must ensure that all food is purchased only from these Approved Sources.
 Effective 1 July 2003, within the Veterinary Command area of responsibility, foods received at any Army, Navy, or Marine Corps facility that do not originate from an approved source (unless categorized as exempt as defined by AR 40-657) will be deemed a potential food safety risk.
- 3. Procurement activities will no longer be given a grace period for vendors to achieve approved source status.
- Our points of contact are LTC Leslie Huck and Mr. Robert Kilburn, Food Safety and Public Health Directorate, DSN 471-6510 or Commercial (210) 221-6510.

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